

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 16, and 18-26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 5,937,160 to Davis et al. in view of U.S. Publication No. 2003/0028608 to Patterson. However, independent claims 1 and 7 recite an update profile comprising a named party and a uniform resource locator (URL) corresponding to the named party. Independent claim 11 recites a named party URL. The Examiner opines that Davis et al. '160 shows an update profile containing a named URL [sic], citing column 10, line 55 through column 11, line 12 and column 13, line 51 through column 14, line 64.

As taught in the Background of Davis et al. '160, a URL is in the form resource://host.domain/path/filename. The first cited section of Davis et al. '160 does not mention URLs, but instead describes a configuration file shown in FIG. 8. The configuration file has various entries, none of which are for URLs. The latter section cited by the Examiner also fails to mention URLs, and instead describes an Information Management System (IMS) shown in FIGs. 12A-12D. The IMS does not show any URLs either. At most, the cited sections of Davis et al. '160 teach file names.

Claims 27 and 28 were rejected under § 103(a) over Davis et al. '160 in view of Patterson, and that combination in further view of U.S. Patent No. 6,636,247 to Hamzy et al. Because these claims respectively depend from claims 1 and 7, claims 27 and 28 are also allowable.

New claims 29, 30 and 31 have been added that respectively depend from claim 1, 7 and 13. These claims specify that the update profile comprises a plurality of named parties.

This application is in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner has any questions or comments, he is invited to telephone the undersigned. Applicant does not believe that additional fees are due, but if the Commissioner believes additional fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-3797.

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